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SUBJECT: COURTNEY, WILLIAM H. - REPORTING DATE IN BRASILIA

1. IN INFORMAL CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE ECONOMIC COUNSELOR AND M. MICHAEL EINIK, WHOM COURTNEY WILL REPLACE, COURTNEY PROPOSES TO ARRIVE FOR DUTY MARCH 17. WE UNDERSTAND THAT HIS LANGUAGE TRAINING TERMINATES ABOUT FEBRUARY 7. COURTNEY PROPOSES TO TAKE THREE WEEKS LEAVE AND SPEND ONE WEEK OF CONSULTATION IN THE DEPARTMENT BEFORE PROCEEDING TO BRASILIA, VIA BOGOTA, LIMA AND RIO.

2. COURTNEY'S PROPOSED REPORTING DATE WOULD CAUSE VERY CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTIES FOR EMBASSY. ALTHOUGH A CLASS I POST, THE BRASILIA ECONOMIC SECTION HAS ONLY THREE OFFICERS, INCLUDING THE COUNSELOR. MR. EINIK'S DEPARTURE IS SCHEDULED FOR ABOUT FEBRUARY 22. (WE UNDERSTAND EINIK'S HOME LEAVE HAS BEEN SHORTENED CONSIDERABLY TO ACCOMMODATE EMBASSY AND DOVETAIL HIS SCHEDULE WITH LANGUAGE TRAINING AND THE NEEDS OF HIS NEXT POST). THE SECTION WILL BE FACING UNUSUALLY HEAVY WORKLOAD DURING THIS PERIOD, INCLUDING EXTENSIVE NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING BILATERAL TRADE AGREEMENTS AND SUPPORT FOR A NUMBER OF TRADE PROMOTION ACTIVITIES AND TRADE FAIRS.

3. WHILE EMBASSY APPRECIATES COURTNEY'S DESIRE FOR ADDITIONAL LEAVE BEFORE PROCEEDING TO BRASILIA, GIVEN THE FOREGOING CONSIDERATIONS, DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO ADVANCE COURTNEY'S REPORTING DATE TO FEBRUARY 23 OR, UNCLASSIFIED

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